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Richard W. Tock, et al. §
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For: CELLULOSE FIBERS AND §
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February 24, 2002
Mark R. Wisner, Registration No. 30,603 Date

ATTACHMENT TO RESPONSE TO
OFFICIAL ACTION OF AUGUST 23, 2002

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.121, Applicant hereby submits versions of any replacement or added paragraphs of the captioned application, as well as any rewritten claims, on one or more pages separate from the amendment, marked up to show all the changes relative to the previous version of the paragraph(s) and/or claim(s).

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim(s) 9 and 10 was/were rewritten as follows:

9. The improved method of claim 7 additionally comprising applying a coating of the cellulosic material over the [wet] mixture of cellulosic material and resin.

10. The improved method of claim 7 wherein the resin is a styrene resin and the [coating of] cellulosic material is applied no later than about ten minutes prior to the onset of the [exothermic] curing reaction.

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Dear Sir:

Applicant responds to the Official Action of August 23, 2002 in the captioned application as follows. Also enclosed is a request for a three month extension of the time to respond and the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1331 (GORA,007-04) in the amount of the required fee. In the event the certificate of mailing on either document was either inadvertently not executed or improperly executed, any necessary fees were not included and/or were insufficient in amount, or for any other reason this Response is not considered timely filed, request is hereby made for an extension of the time to respond for the period necessary to ensure consideration of this Response and the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1331 (GORA,007-04) in the amount of any necessary fee.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please rewrite the following claim(s) (in accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.12(c)(iii), another version of the rewritten claim(s), on one or more pages separate from this amendment and marked up to show all the changes relative to the previous version of that claim(s), is attached) to read as follows:

9. (Amended) The improved method of claim 7 additionally comprising applying a coating of the cellulosic material over the mixture of cellulosic material and resin.

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